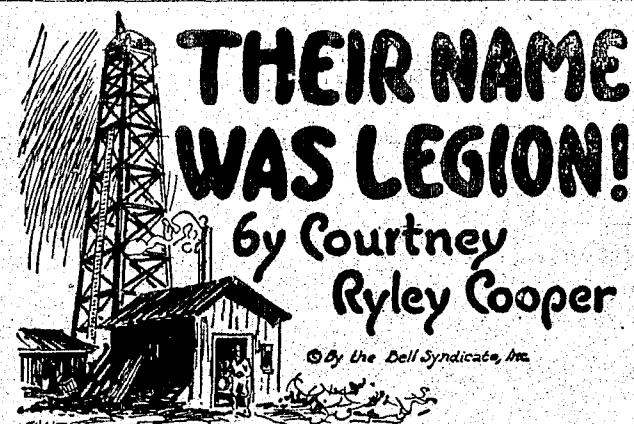


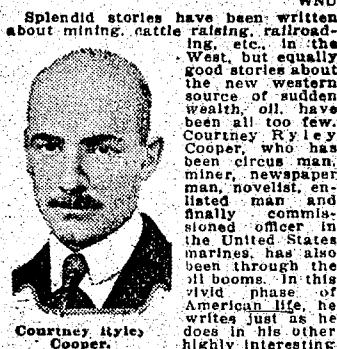
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THEIR NAME WAS LEGION!

By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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Courtney Ryley Cooper.

Splendid stories have been written about mining, cattle raising, railroad building, etc. in the West, but the good stories about the new western sources of sudden wealth, oil, have been all too few. Courtney Ryley Cooper, who has been circus man, miner, newspaper man, novelist, enlisted man and finally a commissioned officer in the United States army, has been through the oil boom. In this vivid phase of American life, he writes just as he does in his other highly interesting tales from first-hand knowledge and experience.

With his memories of the war and his enthusiasm as a Legionist, it was natural for Mr. Cooper to make his oil-country romance also a romance of the American Legion, of the former service men in times of peace. In this story, he has them performing very active and exciting roles in one of those mushroom oil camps of the West. The story portrays with rare charm and fidelity the atmosphere of romance of an oil boom and it brings out the fine spirit which actuates Legion men.

One could not ask for a more manly, honest, upstanding American than the central character of this tale, Bart Rogers, ex-sergeant of marines, called upon to act as town marshal of Belaine, Wyo., after oil had been struck and the place was suddenly overrun with thousands of fortune-seekers, good and bad. There was an absence of law officers to cope with the situation and Bart's problem was further complicated by the fact that his bitterest enemy, leader of the disorderly element, was also father of the girl with whom Bart was in love.

What could an honest marshal do with his heart torn between love and duty? The problem is one for a clever novelist to handle. It makes a highly interesting story, carrying a number of surprises, much brisk action and many thrilling situations. The author handles the problem in a satisfactory way without sacrificing the honor or principles of any of the characters who possess them. This author of western novels and of over 300 short stories of circus life and jungle animal life has given another evidence of his versatility and added another chapter to the literature of virtue Americanism.

CHAPTER I

No Mortgage

As if by instinct, Bart Rogers invariably hesitated as he reached the door which proclaimed, on its glass panel, that beyond lay the office of Leon Barrows, attorney at law.

Rogers never had sought to divine the reason; he simply felt the pause to be necessary, in the same sort of manner in which one pauses before opening the heavy door of a giant refrigerator. And perhaps there was a similarity in the ideas; for the office of Leon Barrows was frigid—just as he was frigid—a great, bare room of pictureless walls.

In keeping with the room was the attorney himself, a white-faced, narrow-eyed person whose long features were lengthened by the smoothness of a three-inch bald streak which ran straight back from his forehead.

Such was the attorney who occupied the big, uncomfortable chair at the orderly, throne-like desk, and because of whom Bart Rogers hesitated, even with his hand on the doorknob. Yet, without, he resented the unconscious revulsion, for, in spite of the iciness of the man, his thin-lipped suppleness, his general claimlessness of appearance and of manner, Rogers could look upon him as nothing if not a benefactor.

It had been the money which had come from his lean hands which had filled the breach when Bart Rogers had come home to find his father suffering from the slow death of paralysis. It had been this money which had helped rehabilitate the small tract of irrigated land three miles from Belaine—land which represented the savings and the toil and the faith of both Bart and his father, which had bought the seed to sow, and carried them both until the harvest could come in.

Now that harvest had arrived and Bart, with his first check, had hurried to the office of Leon Barrows, to halt with his hand on the doorknob; then, at last, to smile with the happiness of an approaching freedom from debt, and to go in. Leon Barrows looked up swiftly from his workless desk.

"Well, what is it?" He asked the question as though he had been disturbed. Bart Rogers knew that he had not. He went forward happily, and reached for the pen and ink.

"I want to endorse a check," he announced.

"Go ahead." The attorney watched him narrowly. "You've been out on the street?"

"Yes."

"How's the election going?"

"Tom Jordan's winning."

"How do you know?" The question came sharply. Rogers looked up.

"Well, I don't know—of my own knowledge. I'm just going on what people are saying. They seem to think Franniston's beaten to a frazzle."

"The votes aren't counted yet. No chance for Jordan to win."

"Then if you know, why did you ask me?" There was an exasperated air about Leon Barrows which always

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BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT MAR. 11-12-13

Grayling is going to see a basket ball tournament. It is to be a high school affair and will draw teams from Otsego, Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon and Missaukee counties. As there are no class B schools in these five counties only teams in C and D classes will be competing at Grayling for the honor of attending the regional tournaments which will be held one week later.

In the past only the big cities and centers have had the opportunity to see tournament basket ball. Now the state athletic association is passing the good things around and Grayling is one of 27 centers where district meets will be held March 11, 12, and 13. Grayling should hail this as good news. It means that some 150 boys from five counties will be in the city for three days and each team is certain to bring along its own loyal band of supporters so there is no telling how many will be attracted to the city by this tournament.

Every school in the state, big or small, has a chance to win a state championship this year. Distance to tournaments have been cut away from, making for little expense. There is hardly an excuse left for any high school with a basket ball team not entering it in a state tournament.

The tournament committee felt certain that when it selected Grayling for the tournament that it had chosen wisely. Grayling has a reputation of putting things over successfully and it should warm to this big tournament. All the fans of Grayling have to do is to attend the games and give the tournament support that it deserves so that it will return next year and be an annual winter sport feature for the city.

Grayling has had some good teams in the past and will have the opportunity of playing on its own floor against the competing teams this year. That should be an advantage. The competition is certain to be red hot from the start. The committee is waiting to see just how well Grayling will turn out to see these games and cheer the high school athletes on to victory.

JEAN MACDONALD

Miss Jean MacDonald brings to the platform a wealth of wholesome fun and good-natured humor in her stories and dialect readings. Undoubtedly her Scotch-Irish ancestry is a great aid to her in her Scotch and Irish dialect stories. Her tales of the Southland, the West and the North are equally as effective and true to life.

Not all of her art as a story teller came naturally to Miss MacDonald. She improved her inherent talent by studying with Owen A. Smiley in To-



JEAN MACDONALD

ronto, Edna Chaffee Noble in Detroit and at the London (Ont.) School of Elocution, where she graduated.

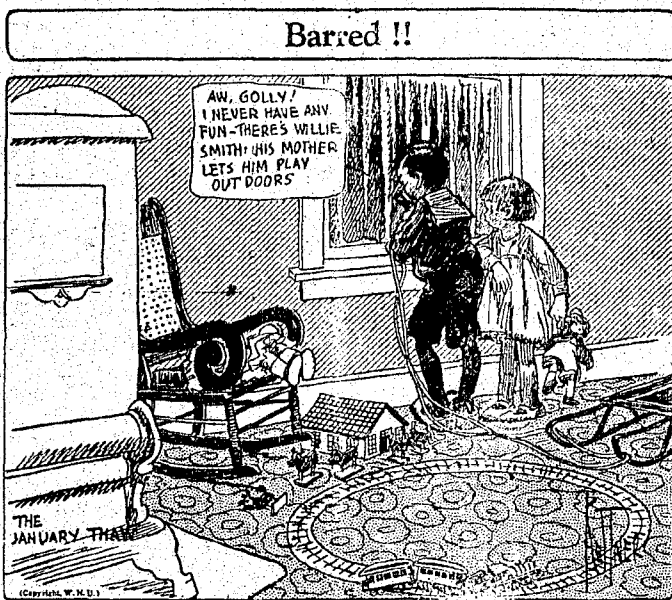
There is not a monotonous moment during her program. Apparently she controls her audience at will. She is a good-natured comedienne of broad smile and shrewd sense of humor. In serious vein she indelibly impresses her audience with the simple eloquence of her plea for more love and faith in life's daily walks.

Jean MacDonald leaves her audiences voicing most enthusiastic approval in her behalf and calling for return engagements.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 19.

HOWELL ON NEW AIRWAY MAP

Howell, Livingston county, appears as the only landing station between Detroit and Lansing on a map showing an airway system covering ten states. The map has been issued by the St. Louis, Mo., chapter of the National Aeronautical association.



Barred !!

AW, GOLLY! I NEVER HAVE ANY FUN—THERE'S WILLIE SMITH—HIS MOTHER LETS HIM PLAY OUT DOORS

WILSON TO BECOME A MAJOR GENERAL

Brigadier General Guy M. Wilson, of Flint, will be the first Michigan National Guard officer to be raised to the rank of major general, it was announced last week Thursday from the state military department.

Gen. Wilson's promotion comes as the result of the death of Major General Robert B. McCoy, of the Wisconsin guard, with which the Michigan guard, make up the 32nd division. News of General McCoy's death was received at the State Military department last week Wednesday.

Like General Wilson, General McCoy was a veteran of the 32nd division. He served on the Mexican border in 1916 and upon the organization of the 32nd division commanded the 107th Trains and Military police. During service in France he was at various times in command of the 125th, 127th and 128th infantry regiments.

After the war General McCoy became commander of the Wisconsin guard and upon the reformation of the 32nd division, was elevated to the rank of major general in command of the division. He was widely known in Michigan guard circles. As a mark of respect a badge of mourning will be worn for a thirty day period by all Michigan officers of the National guard.

General Wilson standing next in line to General McCoy will soon be promoted by the war department. This will leave Wisconsin with a brigadier general in command of its troops and General Wilson in peace times continues in command of the Michigan guard. Commissions as major generals in the guard did not come until after the war, and this is the first time Michigan has had an opportunity to put forward an officer for promotion to that rank.

THE FOREST FIRE PREVENTION TRAIN TO STOP HERE FEBRUARY 16TH

We have been advised by the local agent of the M. C. R. R., Mr. Lewis, that the Forest Fire Prevention and Land Clearing Train will stop at Grayling on Tuesday, February 16th. Mr. Lewis says, "It is our honor to be selected as one of the first towns at which the opening gun in this state-wide campaign will be fired. We are on a schedule that extends thru a three months tour, covering six railroads and all of the U. P., addition to the northeastern part of the Lower Peninsula. I trust that Grayling will give it a record attendance. The message is of vital concern to all of us. That the Company which I represent appreciates the benefits to be obtained from the suppression of forest fires is clearly indicated by its willingness to incur the expense of this Train."

This demonstration train is to be operated under the direction of the Development Bureau, thru the co-operation of the Michigan State College, State Conservation Department, the Michigan Central and D. & M. Railroads, and local agencies. It will consist of three cars. One of these will be fitted up with exhibits, charts, models, equipment, etc. Another will be used for lecture purposes. Hundreds of facts pertinent in forest fire suppression and land clearing will be presented in one way or another.

According to Mr. Lewis the Train will be here most of the day, but the meeting will start at 1:30 p. m. Several speakers of note will be on hand for the afternoon program but people are urged to drop in any time to discuss their problems. This applies especially to farmers who have questions about land-clearing because L. F. Livingston and N. A. Kessler, land clearing specialists from the State College, will be present for that purpose.

MASONS ATTENTION: SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Fellowcraft degree, Thursday, January 28th. Illustrated lecture on Masonry in "George Washington's time." All Masons invited.

NOTICE

I am still collecting taxes at the office of the county treasurer. Open from 8 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 5 p. m. daily and Saturday evening from 6 to 9 o'clock. Please bring your old tax receipt.

Carl J. Jensen, 1-14-2 Treasurer Grayling Twp.

Can You Beat It?

The following item appeared in the Detroit News of last Sunday:

Grayling Coldest Spot in U. S.

Detroit, Jan. 8.—Grayling, a "still air" spot in the central part of northern "lower" Michigan, was the coldest point in the United States Friday. The temperature was 9 below zero, the weather bureau reported.

At Alpena, 75 miles northeast on Lake Huron, the temperature was 14 above zero, and at Ludington, 100 miles southwest of Grayling on Lake Michigan, the thermometer stood at 10 above.

Weather bureau officials said sometimes temperatures in that region sink as low as 60 degrees below zero and yet a few miles away water continues to run.

One might gain the idea that it gets so cold here that the water stops running, while everyone living here knows well that our rivers do not freeze over all winter long, regardless of temperature.

Nine below zero last Friday in favor of Grayling against every other city in the United States. It just doesn't make any difference in what line we compete, we beat them all. While such temperature in Grayling with its "still air" is just great, in Detroit or any other city similarly situated it would be a calamity and drive people into despair, and the cold would be nearly unbearable. Even 20 below zero in Grayling is to be preferred to the discomforts of from one to ten above in most any of our border or lower-altitude cities, including Alpena and Ludington.

Last Tuesday when walking down to the office we couldn't help but appreciate the wonderful, bracing atmosphere. It was most exhilarating, and we were quite surprised to learn that it was at that time 8 below zero and had been 14 during the night. Truly there is more real comfort in this climate than in any in which it has been our privilege to reside. We were afraid that we have lost our appreciation for southern "lower" Michigan as a place in which to reside. We can understand, however, how that people in their declining years might prefer a tropical climate, but not that for us yet awhile.

This difference in climate is due, no doubt to our high altitude, Crawford county being the highest in Michigan of any of our counties, with a record of 1490 feet higher than the "bench mark" in New York. These measurements were made by U. S. government surveyors and are on record at Washington. Up to a few years ago it was generally believed that the highest point of altitude in the State was in Otsego county, which it was later proven was mistaken.

The article that appeared in the Detroit News has been the cause of a number of letters being written to Grayling people in inquiry as to results of what they evidently believed had been a catastrophe. One person writing the Grayling Fish Hatchery asked if any of the trout were saved, evidently thinking that they had been frozen to death in solid ice. "Gosh, wouldn't that get you?"

MICH. PASTURES ARE GREENER AFTER ALL.

By E. M. T. Service, Michigan farmers sometimes have the feeling that they would have an easier time in some other state or some other location. They do not always realize the many advantages Michigan has over many other states. They forget that the strawberries over the other fellow's fence only look bigger, the violets only seem more blue and the green pastures only appear more luxuriant than his own.

If they could see letters which occasionally reach the office of the Northeastern Development Bureau, they might perhaps view their troubles with greater equanimity. An example is a letter recently received from an Iowa farmer whose life-time experience in trying to extract a living from that soil has finally ended in bitter defeat and disillusionment. His experience has been with sheep and crops. For the last two years, he says, he has seen his crops washed away and drowned and he has no money to make a change. He is now seeking a farm in Northeastern Michigan which he can work on shares.

ELECTRIC SERVICE PROMISED FOR MON.

The Avalanche isn't the only concern that is feeling the loss of day electric service. Garages, battery shops, markets, stores and many other places are quite inconvenienced by the lack of power.

However, relief is in sight. In a long distance telephone conversation with Manager E. A. Wright of Cheboygan, that gentleman says that there will be little danger of future tie-ups, such as the one we are now experiencing. He says that they expect to have everything running again within a week, which would be next Monday or before.

They are at present awaiting the arrival of a transformer to replace the one that was burned out Christmas night. Besides this one an additional transformer will be kept on hand for use in case of emergency. It is expected that one of these and perhaps both will arrive within a few days, and only a brief time be required for installation, when regular service will again be resumed.

In the mean time everyone is trying their best to be as patient as possible. An assurance against further shut-downs will be glad news for consumers in Grayling.

JEAN MACDONALD NEXT NUMBER

One of the most interesting and highly entertaining events on the local Lyceum course this season will be the appearance here next Tuesday evening, of Miss Jean MacDonald, popular reader, who is noted for her inimitable dialect numbers.

Miss MacDonald is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and has an inherent gift of humor and mimicry. Her natural talent for story-telling has been developed by intensive study in leading schools of expression, and by living in localities especially rich in the types depicted in her program.

Scotch-Irish readings, together with readings which portray the North, the West and the South are included in her repertoire.

A recent report from Celina, Ohio, states that "nothing better was ever heard on the local Lyceum platform than Miss MacDonald's closing number. Her remarks were so sincere, so eloquent and so simple that they went straight to every heart and left beautiful memories of a good-natured lass who will be welcomed back to Celina by many ardent admirers."

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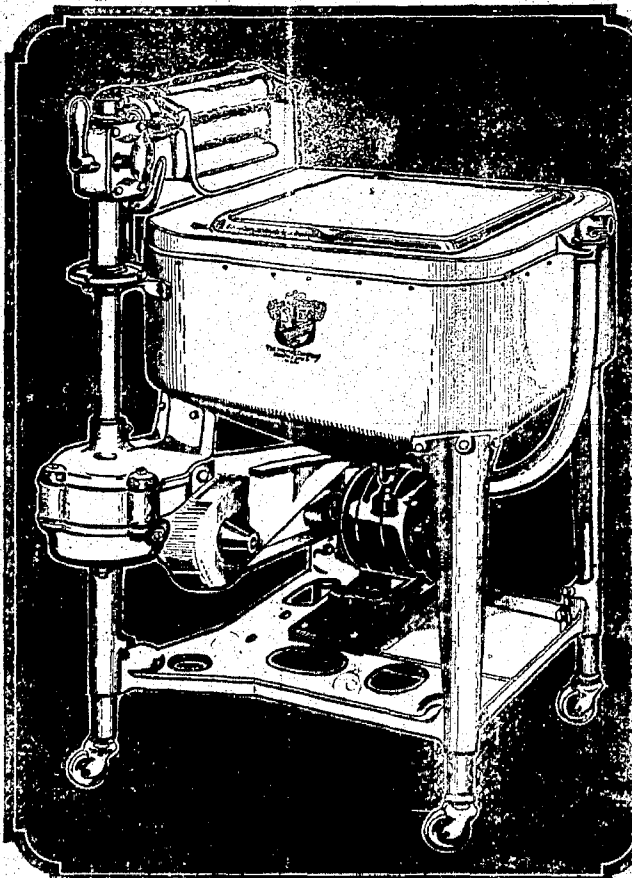
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THE COUNTRY PRESS AND THE DIVORCE EVIL.

Statistics reveal that the divorce peril is increasing at a menacing rate in America. Fifty years ago there were but 28 divorced people in every 100,000. In 1922 there were 136.

One of the satisfactions connected with the editing of a country newspaper is the fact that the editor very rarely chronicles divorces in his news columns but frequently has occasion to pay tribute to couples who have traveled life's journey together for fifty years or longer. Sensational di-

voce stories usually emanate from the metropolitan centers where life is more artificial and where four-room flats prove poor substitutes for the real homes to be found in the wholesome atmosphere of rural America.

LOCAL OFFICERS ARE APPOINTED FOR COMMUNITY CHAUTAUQUA

The local directors of the Community Chautauqua that is to be in Grayling next summer, numbering 52 members, have chosen Philip G. Zalsman for their president; Emil Giegling, secretary, and Holger Hanson, treasurer.

President Zalsman says that in due time a meeting of the directors will be called for the purpose of electing a vice president and to appoint the various committees.

In commenting on the possible success of the Chautauqua, Pres. Zalsman says that "If every member will grab a spoke and not the hub, the wheel will turn to success."

GRAYLING ENJOYING WINTER SPORTS

SKIIS AND TOBOGGANS ATTRACT OLD AND YOUNG

Division Hill Scene of Many Happy Times

Never before have the people of Grayling engaged quite so extensively in out-door sports as they are doing this winter. Almost every pleasant day, and that means most of them, finds one or more groups of people out enjoying the coasting about town. And "Division Hill" at the Military reservation seems to be the most popular of the spots.

Not less than fifty people were sliding on that hill last Sunday afternoon. There were toboggans, sleds, and very many skis, and everyone from old to young seemed to be having the time of their lives. While there were many "spills" nobody seemed to mind that, the incidents only adding to the joy and excitement. Participants ranged from little boys and girls to mothers and fathers, bachelors and old maids, all of whom seemed to be enjoying the thrills immensely.

"Division Hill" is ideally located, and, as time goes on, it is sure to become as popular in mid-winter as it is in August while occupied by General Wilson and his staff officers. People drive to the reservation in their autos thus making the place easily accessible. A "hot dog" stand would add much to the convenience of the place, for, after people have climbed the hill a few times, and taken a few spills in the snow, they are quite sure to be hungry. And the sport is the greatest builder of rosy complexion that we know of. Beats drug store rouge all to pieces.

The popularity of this sport is growing rapidly and just a little enterprise on the part of someone would make the Military reservation famous as a winter resort.

MRS. PERRY OSTRANDER PASSED AWAY

Was a Pioneer Settler of Crawford County.

The death of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Ostrander wife of the late Perry Ostrander that occurred early Monday morning marks the passing of another of Crawford County's pioneer settlers. Mrs. Ostrander had been an invalid for over three years and about a week ago contracted pneumonia from which she passed away at one o'clock Monday morning. Up to the time she was stricken with paralysis she was very active and always took care of her household duties without any aid.

Sarah Elizabeth Piper was born September 24, 1841, at St. Thomas, Canada. At the age of nine years she moved with her parents into Ingham county, where she grew to womanhood. Here she met Perry Ostrander and on January 16, 1862 the young couple were united in marriage at Williamson. To the union eight children were born, all of whom survive except Clara Augusta, who passed away in infancy, and Mrs. Effie Whipple, who passed away in May last year. In August 1881 Mr. and Mrs. Ostrander and children came to Crawford county and purchased a homestead six miles southeast of Grayling just inside of the town line. In those days homes were built of timber hewn from the forest and both father and mother toiled from morning until night to make a livelihood for their family. After they grew to manhood any womanhood and left the old home the couple lived alone in happiness and comfort, until the summer of 1921 when a forest fire raging in the vicinity of their home destroyed it while they looked on helplessly. It was then that they moved to Grayling and made their home among their children. Mrs. Ostrander passed away at the home of her son Arthur December 27, 1922. Mrs. Ostrander suffering a stroke some time previous to her death.

The funeral of the deceased was held Wednesday afternoon with a prayer at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Waldron, and services were held at the Michigan Memorial church at 2:00 o'clock. Rev. J. Herman Baur delivered a most impressive sermon and the choir rendered a couple of hymns very nicely. One daughter Mrs. Charles Waldron of this city and five sons survive the deceased; Lewis W. Ostrander, who practices law in Alma, Frank of Lansing, Charles of LaCrosse, Mich., Elmer who resides on his farm near here and Arthur of Grayling.

LOVELLS NEWS
Mr. and Mrs. J. Duby spent Sunday with Mrs. J. Papenfuss. Members of the Gleaner lodge met at the home of Mrs. T. E. Douglas to install their officers. The officers installed were:
Chief Gleaner—Emma Stillwagon. Vice Chief Gleaner, Alfred Nephew. Secretary-treasurer, Martha Douglas. Chaplin, Cora Nephew. Conductor, Annie Duby. Inner guard, Joseph Duby. Outer guard, Clarence Stillwagon.

The Postoffice seems to be a busy place on Saturdays. Our school has commenced after a two weeks vacation. Ed Kellogg returned home Saturday from Grayling where he had been attending the Board of Supervisors sessions. John Harriett drove to Lewiston to load posts. Clarence Stillwagon made a trip to Grayling with a Nash truck. Muriel Burpee of West Branch spent the week with Miss Cora Nephew. Ed Houghton and his men are making good use of this fine weather by making the timber fly. Loreta Knepfer returned from West Branch where she had been visiting during the holidays. Jess Shoff and Alfred Hanna, who are sawing lumber at Red Oak, spent the week end at their homes.

Japan's Gentle Way
In Japan, when a police officer takes a man into custody, he ties a bit of string around the arrested man's wrist and then leads him by the loose end of the trail fetter to the police station. So strong is the Japanese respect for the law that the piece of string holds the prisoner as securely as though he were manacled by steel.

GRAYLING-ROSCOMMON BASKET BALL

GIRLS WIN; BOYS LOOSE IN TWO GOOD GAMES

Two good games is exactly what our Grayling High School boys and girls' teams played the High school boys and girls of Roscommon. We are sure that those who saw the games will agree that they were the snappiest that have been played here in a long time.

Up until this season Roscommon has never showed us much of any competition in athletics, but 1926 has brought forth for them two splendid basketball teams.

We are proud of the fact that our girls scored six points over the Roscommon girls, and it was a mighty pep game between these two well-balanced teams. Our players showed some fine, fast playing; the guards especially showed good team work and cleverly kept the opposing side from scoring. The centers too were very fast in passing the ball to our steady forwards, who are really the most responsible for all games.

Well! We won and the school is happy. Last but not least comes the boys' game, with Roscommon victorious. Nevertheless, a more exciting game isn't often seen on our floor. Many times the scores were tied, but with our boys in the lead right up to the last minutes of the game and it looked like sure victory for us, but Roscommon got the winning marker just ahead of the final gun.

But it was a good game and that is most to be hoped for.

The final score was 15 to 16.

NORMAL QUESTION NOT SETTLED

FIRE AT MT. PLEASANT RAISES NEW ISSUES

Newspapers of late have been rife with reports about the proposed new Normal school for Northern Michigan. The truth is that they have had but little that is authentic to offer. A letter from Thomas E. Johnson, superintendent of the Department of Instruction, dated January 12th has the following to say regarding the matter:

Lansing, Jan. 12, 1926
Mr. Marius Hanson,
Grayling, Michigan

My Dear Mr. Hanson:
The State Board of Education at a meeting last week discussed at length the Normal school situation but felt that they would like to work out the problem relative to Mount Pleasant, consequently we talked with the Governor and decided that it would be better to hold the new normal matter in abeyance for a short time. It is barely possible that the Board of Education may ask the Governor to call a special session to deal with the Mount Pleasant problem. I understand that someone reported that we said that we are going to leave the new normal to the Legislature but the Board has no thought of doing this. You will be kept posted. Cordially yours,
T. E. Johnson.

CARD OF THANKS

The relatives of Mrs. Perry Ostrander wish to extend their thanks and appreciation to their neighbors and friends for the many kindnesses, and for the beautiful floral offerings sent at the time of her death.

CARD OF THANKS

We deeply appreciate the kind expressions of sympathy sent by our friends at the time of the death of our son and brother, Charles Daugherty.

Mrs. Minnie Daugherty,
Ellis Daugherty.

Courtney Rvley Cooper



Has a Japanned top, you say? Yes. He can easily qualify for the beauty prize among bald-headed authors. This gentle spring had had much experience. Oh, no! During his school days in Kansas City, Mo., he ran away from home to become a clown in a circus.

Then his education really commenced. It progressed when he became press representative for a big circus and for Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) shows. Next he was a special writer on Kansas City Star, New York World, Chicago Tribune and Denver Post. In the World war he enlisted in the army and came out a commissioned officer. He was sent back to France by the War department to collect historical matter about the Marines.

Has written over 300 stories of circus and jungle animal life for more than fifty magazines, also several novels, scenes laid mostly in the West. He is the author of "Their Name Was Legion" the oil country romance soon to appear as a serial in this paper.

READ THIS STORY IN THE AVALANCHE BEGINNING WITH THIS ISSUE

SAGINAW TRIANGLES COMING SATURDAY

FAST VALLEY TEAM SEEKING REVENGE FOR LAST YEAR'S DEFEAT

The fast Saginaw Triangles basketball team are scheduled to play the Grayling Independents here next Saturday night. These famous foes always prove a big attraction for our Grayling basketball fans. Whenever these two teams meet there is sure to be a hot game, and a fight to a finish.

Grayling has played two games thus far this season and won both, and are now going fine.

A dispatch from Saginaw has the following to say about the Triangles: Saginaw, Jan. 16.—With Grayling scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 16th, the Saginaw Triangles are busy preparing for this all important contest and the locals are out to get revenge for the defeat the up-state team inflicted last year in a great game.

[This year Mgr. Huebner has one of the best outfits that has ever represented this city and so far this season has tasted defeat but once. With a firm hold on the State league leadership the Triangles are anxious to annex Grayling to their list of victims also it is a non-league game. Huebner has added several new men since the early part of the season, they being Whitey Newberg, former Lombard college flash, and in his college days rated as the best forward in all Illinois. Along with him the locals have Leslie McKay, former Kalamazoo college star and all-Michigan collegiate forward and high scorer for three years. Besides these two stars the "Trys" have other stars who have made their appearance in Grayling before. Dickie will be seen at guard with Failing as running mate. Huebner will start at center with Walderzak pairing up with Newberg and McKay. In reserve the locals are well fortified with Chas. Tallon and Osterbeck available for duty.

The preliminary game will begin at 8 and big game at 9.

GOODFELLOWSHIP CLUB NOTES.

Miss Leonard was hostess to the Good Fellowship club at the home of Mrs. Charles McCullough Monday evening. Home Economics was the subject discussed by Miss Leonard. Time saving devices were discussed by Mrs. Larsen and cake making was talked on by Mrs. Gillett. Miss Leonard proved her ability as a delicatessen by serving a delicious luncheon.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

Mrs. Hendrie was hostess to the Woman's club Monday evening. Roll Call—Name one of McDowell's works.
Paper on McDowell's life and work—Mrs. Anna Herbison.
Paper on McDowell's colony—Miss Isa Granger.
Business.
The club will meet in Room 44 at the school house next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Entering the Michigan Central station at Ypsilanti, at 11:45 Monday, two armed men held up Night Operator Esslinger and a companion, forced Esslinger to open the company's safe and escaped with \$150 in currency. When last seen the men were speeding toward Detroit in an automobile. Chief of Police Vernon Connors wired the Detroit police to be on the lookout for the pair.

Guests fled from the new Burdick hotel at Kalamazoo Monday when smoke caused by grease burning in a ventilator shaft in the kitchen filled some of the halls. The grease became ignited from an overheated exhaust fan. It was some time before firemen were able to extinguish the blaze, the damage from which was small, it was said.

Dale, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snyder, school in fifth grade in Isaac Crary school with Mrs. S. E. Robinson as teacher, fell dead from his seat in school at Marshall. Dale just had returned from a recitation and was studying a problem in arithmetic when he died. Besides his parents, he leaves one brother and seven sisters.

Wyandotte's tax rate for 1926 will be \$3.37 per thousand lower than it was in 1925. It was announced by H. S. Amiot, mayor of the city. The city tax is \$11.50 in place of \$12.50, and the school tax is \$12.50 instead of \$13.37. The reduction is made possible by the increased valuation of the city and the annexation of considerable territory.

In the death of Joseph Toynont, 57 years, old, former fire and police chief, Pontiac loses one of its most widely known residents. "Joe" Toynont was a native of Pontiac and his long residence there made him acquainted with probably more persons than any other resident. For seven years he directed the police department and for several years headed the fire department. For the past years he has been in charge of grand stand entertainment at the state fair grounds in Detroit.

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Michigan Happenings

Approval of plans for a sanitarium for tuberculosis sufferers, to be built by Oakland County at a cost of upwards of \$300,000, was given the drawings of the architect, Frederick D. Madison, of Royal Oak, when they were presented to the board of supervisors. The county purchased an 80-acre farm in Waterford Township overlooking seven lakes as the site for the hospital and it will be built on a hill 150 feet above the road that passes the farm. It will be classed as the first unit of a structure that can be added to as more room is needed.

The trial of Hagen Gardner, 30 years old, of Ann Arbor, and Henry C. Girard, 34, of Willis, charged with assault with intent to kill Glover Watson, Dearborn real estate man, and R. G. Robinson and Harry Hanover, both of Ypsilanti, was begun in Circuit Court at Howell. The trial is the outgrowth of an alleged gun battle Oct. 25 between the two factions on the farm of Frank I. Cornwall, of Ann Arbor, located in Livingston County.

Hugh L. Johnson pleaded guilty in Superior Court at Grand Rapids to a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated and was sentenced to serve from six months to a year in the Michigan Reformatory at Jonia. Johnson some weeks ago paid a fine of \$100 for a similar offense. His is the second case to be brought here under the new State law which makes a second offense of this nature a felony punishable by a term in prison.

A petition for a John Doe inquiry, commonly known as a one-man grand jury, investigation into statements regarding the managements and administration of the Michigan state prison and the purchase by the state of a cement plant at Chelsea will be presented to Circuit Judge Benjamin Williams by County Prosecutor John Simpson some time Friday as a result of a visit to Jackson by Homer Quay, assistant attorney general.

Oakland County supervisors refused to take any action on petitions asking that three annexation propositions be submitted to the electors of Royal Oak City and Township at the April 5 election. They also failed to act on two petitions, one of which asks that the incorporation of Hazel Park in Royal Oak Township as a village be voted on in April while the other asks that it be incorporated as a city.

Collapsing on the ice at the entrance to a fishing shanty on the bay, near the barracks of the state police at Mt. Clemens, Deputy Game Warden Charles Schwangeck, of New Baltimore, died suddenly. Schwangeck, accompanied by Edward Pettit, another deputy game warden, was on his way to discuss the recently enacted fishing regulation with John C. Charbenau, owner of the hut.

In a letter to the Wayne County Board of Auditors, Dr. Robert N. Haskell, superintendent of the Ionia State Hospital, accepted the superintendency of the new Wayne County Training School at Northville. On Dec. 29 Dr. Haskell was offered the position under a five-year contract at \$7,500 a year. The training school will care for feeble-minded youths.

The St. Paul's Lutheran church brotherhood of Albion is planning a rally of brotherhoods of Lutheran churches of surrounding cities for Sunday, January 17, at Albion. The meeting will be held both afternoon and evening, with special speakers. Among the cities that will be represented are Marshall, Battle Creek, Lansing and Jackson.

Lansing is going to find out if it has any rivals for the fiddling crown now held by "Mellie" Dunham, of Maine, and "Jep" Bisbee, of Michigan. Yaine, an fiddler of the capital city and nearby towns have been invited to attend an old time dance to be given by the Knights of Columbus, the evening of January 15, and show their skill.

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Warrants have been issued by Justice Lee Smith of Monroe against George White, a justice of the peace, and Sheldon Shertzer, a former deputy sheriff, both of Bedford township, on complaint of Merrill Smith, 17 years old, Ida township, charging them with having made a felonious assault with a revolver the night of December 11. The men, it is alleged, attempted to stop an automobile occupied by Smith and a high school girl near Yargerville for the purpose of searching for liquor. Several shots were fired, two passing through the windshield. No one was injured and no liquor could be found, it is claimed.

Options have been taken by the city of Flint on 160 acres of land on the northwest side of the city and a municipal airport may be established there. Mayor Judson L. Transue laid the matter before the council and a committee of aldermen was named to investigate the plan. A landing field on the east side of the city now in use is considered inadequate. The council's action followed a recommendation made recently by the Flint Industrial Bureau, which said that the establishment of a landing field in Flint would be an inducement to new industries.

The Michigan Bell Telephone Co. must decide immediately whether it will accept the order of the Michigan Public Utilities Commission, fixing a valuation of \$69,000,000 on its property as a basis for rate making purposes and reducing its revenue \$1,195,000 a year. The new rate schedule, which affects Detroit alone, is ordered to go into immediate effect. The company will have a reasonable time to effect a change unless it decides to follow the procedure, adopted by it on a former order, when it refused to accept the order.

Economic and social science gradually are becoming the big factors of future business. Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield, president of Michigan State college, told members of the Lansing Exchange club. Extension of education beyond the limits of the school curriculum is making more and more for a definite planning of civilization through a greater application of scientific principles he said. A revolution that science has brought about in recent years has placed agriculture in the realm of business, Dr. Butterfield added.

Earnings of the Hayes Wheel company of Jackson for 1925 are estimated to have reached \$8 a share, compared to \$3.16 a share for 1924, it was announced by C. G. MacKay, secretary of the company. Total 1925 earnings on 197,000 shares outstanding are estimated at \$1,700,000 while 1924 earnings were \$715,000 according to Mr. MacKay. Outstanding bonds amounting to \$600,000 to \$1,000,000 and its working capital at \$318,000 to \$4,800,000 in that 1924.

Closing and removing a safety pin from the throat of Gerald Campbell, seven-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, was one of the unusual surgical operations performed at St. Lawrence hospital at Lansing. X-ray pictures taken before the operation showed the pin was open and inverted, and it was necessary for the doctors to turn the pin over and close it before removing it with an esophoscope.

Classified Ads

For sale—Good, bed springs with mattress. Inquire at Avalanche Office.

A GOOD LAUNDRESS WANTED—Apply at Burke's Garage.

TO ANNOUNCE I HAVE AGENCY in Grayling, Roscommon and Frederic for World's Star Klean Knit Underwear and Hosiery, and Pilella Fabrics. Mrs. Jas. McDonnell, Grayling. Phone No. 1-14-1

FOR SALE—FLOOR CE HEATER. Inquire of Alva Roberts. 1-14-2

FOR SALE—KITCHEN RANGE, IN first class condition, cheap. Mrs. R. R. Hollowell. Inquire at Avalanche Office. 1-14-2

FOR SALE—1 1/2 TON FEDERAL Truck. This truck is priced to sell. No reasonable offer refused, as I have no use for same. Walter Buck, Grayling. 1-14-2

GIRL WANTED TO HELP DO housework in family of three. Inquire at Avalon office.

SIX ROOM HOUSE FOR RENT. Good location. Inquire of Mabel Brasie.

STRAYED TO MY PREMISES NOV. 14, 1925. Weight about 100 pounds. Ed. Feldhauser, Bx. 43, Frederic, Mich. 1-14-3

FOUND—CHILD'S ROSARY, Tuesday, Jan. 5, on Lake St. near laundry. Call for same at Mrs. T. Bosser's. Phone 573.

GOOD HOME FOR SALE—CHAP, and on easy terms. Inquire at Avalanche Office. Phone 1112.

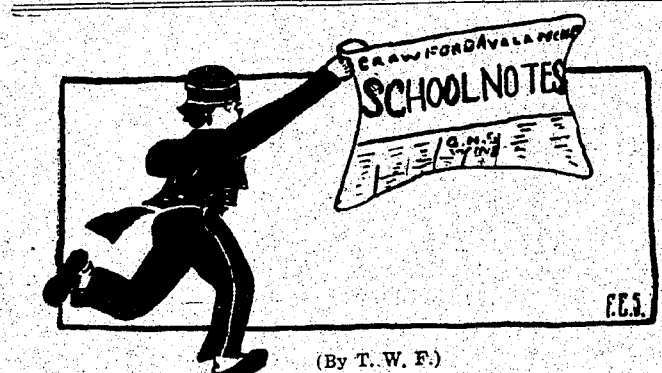
FOR SALE—FOR BEST OFFER before January 30th, 1926. The N.E. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 and the N. W. 1/4 of Sec. Eight Beaver Creek Township, Crawford Co., Michigan. Ed. B. Franch, St. Charles, Minn.

FOR SALE—CHAS. BLAIR PROPERTY west of Lake street bridge on AuSable river, containing 35 acres and a good house, barn and garage. Inquire of Geo. McCullough, Grayling, Mich. 1-14-4

VASHING AND IRONING WANTED. Near South Side school. Mrs. Robarge.

FOR RENT—GOOD HOUSE NEAR South Side School. Inquire at Avalanche Office.

HOUSE FOR RENT—CLOSE TO Business section. Inquire at Avalanche Office.



(By T. W. F.)

"A quarrel is quickly settled when started by one party. There is no battle unless there be two."—Seneca.
Everyone is back on the job and so far the New Year looks like a bright one. We have in the assembly two new pupils from Maple Forest.
We are sure that "1926" is going to be a big year for athletics.
We are sorry to say that Miss Bates is spending the first days of the new year under the doctor's care. Mrs. Milnes is substituting for her.

"Twas the month after Christmas
And Santa had fled,
Came this tidings for father
Which read: "Please remit."

Little Elmer: Papa, why is it more blessed to give than to receive?
Prof. Bonehead: Because, my son, if you permit yourself to receive, you are compelled to give about three times as much in return in order to properly express your gratitude.

Speaking of Christmas
Scientists have just figured out that Christmas comes only once a year. Which isn't such a bad idea when you stop to figure it out.

Imagine giving a raft of presents every month.
That wouldn't even give us time to exchange them.

Most men would have as many ties as a railroad.
And enough socks to K. O. Dempsey.

With Christmas every month having a sweetheart would be one continual fight.

A girl the first of the year is an asset—one around Christmas time is one continual hint.

We once heard of a guy who gave his girl a bowl.
She bought a stem for it and gave him the whole pipe next year.

That's what we call co-operation.
Right around Christmas time the ice is pretty thin.

Especially if your hopes are tied up in cheap sales.

If you want to get the real dope on Christmas—ask Dad, he knows.
—Carnegie Puppet.

It is resolved by the Junior class never to have another juvenile party, for the one they had Monday night turned out to be too real. The "Youngsters" (really Juniors) were real cute and the entertainment for the evening was carried out in a child-like manner and caused a great deal of fun.

But, alas! As children will, three of them came down the next morning with measles. When school started next morning it was whispered about that three of the guests at the party were sent home only to have a sign reading "Measles" put upon their houses.

At once the pupils were examined by Dr. Keypport and Mrs. Squires put so far no more cases have developed.

The Seniors have set the date for their play—Deacon Dubbs—for Feb-

ruary 10th. Watch for further announcements.

Second Grade
Two new boys have entered our room—Leonard Knibbs from Maple Forest and Philip Johnson from Iron Mountain.

Many of our little people are absent on account of sickness this week.

5 A and 6 B
Gordon Green is leading our spelling contest. He is 1300 miles on his way to California.
Ray DeFrain has been absent from our room a week.
Those who have been neither absent nor tardy for this month are:
Viola Kennedy.
Martha Sorenson.
Norma Wheeler.
Josephine Bennett.
Marie Brown.
Muriel DeLameter.
Russell Dunham.
Grace Edwards.
Gordon Green.
Katherine Kuster.
Mark Lewis.
Irene Randolph.
Fern Lovely.

Norma Wheeler makes up a poem once every month. This is the one she made up for this month of January:

A Child's Resolution
(By Norma Wheeler)
I'm going to start the New Year right;
I'll never quarrel, never fight.
This will be my resolution.
I'll never cause intrusion.
I'll help my mother all I can,
I'll make the floor look spic and span.

"I'll do the dishes, scrub the floor;
I'll help

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The Rexall Store

PHONE 18

LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14TH, 1926

What is it?
Men's overcoats, \$25.00, Saturday \$19.85 at Frank's.

Women's Zippers, all sizes at \$4.64 at Olson's.

Mrs. A. M. Lewis is substituting for Miss Bates in the first grade.

Mr. and Mrs. John Charlefour returned last week from a several week's visit in Detroit, Flint, Jackson and Eaton Rapids.

Variety Store Bargains

26x56 Moth and dust proof garment bag 10c

Electrical goods, cord, plugs, etc., 5c and up.

Table oil cloth 55x55 84c

4-piece clear glass mixing bowl set 50c

Glass shelf complete with brackets, etc. \$1.50

100 white napkins 13c

50 gold-plated safety pins 10c

Rick-rack, all colors 7-12c

Percolator tops, heavy glass, 6 for 15c

6-foot cord and plug set for your iron, etc. 60c

Hammer handles, old hickory 10c

White combinet - \$1.05

Special occasion greeting cards 5c

Accessories for Valentine parties—heart, nut baskets, napkins, etc., are here, complete stock, so buy early.

S. B. Variety Store

One Door West of the

Furniture Store

F. J. McCLAIN, Mgr.

The Burrows Market

PHONE No. 2

Taking Pains

That is what we do when we select meat for our customers. It must be prime and sweet and fit for any table in the land. Our large list of customers is proof of their satisfaction with our service.

Call us whenever Special Orders may be desired.

A. S. BURROWS

PHONE No. 2

9 is a lucky number.

A few ladies coats left, \$25.00 values, fur trimmed Saturday \$17.85 at Frank's.

Mrs. Getta Fischer is spending the week visiting her father, J. H. Grover at St. Helen.

Mrs. Roy Bricker of Cass City is the guest of her sister Mrs. Oscar Hanson and family.

Mrs. B. A. Cooley visited her daughter, Mrs. D. E. Winer, at Vandervill Wednesday.

Cold weather means warm footwear. We have everything in shoes, socks and mittens, at Olson's.

Mrs. Saloma Simpson left Tuesday for Whittemore where she will make her home indefinitely with her sister.

B. A. Cooley drove in at noon Friday from Toledo with a brand-new Overland Six sedan which he will use for demonstrating purposes.

There will be a special meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. on Wednesday evening, January 20th. Initiation and refreshments.

Try Whitman's hot chocolate at our fountain. We also sell the powders so you can make your own.

Central Drug Store.

The Ladies Aid society of Michelson Memorial church will hold a bazaar sale at Peterson's Grocery, Saturday, afternoon from one to four o'clock.

Miss Nora Humphrey completed her duties at Grayling Mercy hospital last week and left for Grand Rapids where she will practice her profession of nurse.

Mrs. N. P. Olson left for Detroit Saturday to be a guest at the home of her son, Alfred Olson, going to also visit her son George, who is a patient at a sanitarium in that city.

Ed. Cooper, who since being dismissed from Mercy Hospital after a severe siege of illness, has been visiting his aunt Mrs. Malcolm McLeod at Birchwood lodge, is now spending a month visiting his sisters in Lansing.

A program that will please you is what will be presented by Jean MacDonald next Tuesday evening at the Michelson Memorial church in the closing number of the local Lyceum course.

L. H. Chamberlin and son Gordon accompanied Mrs. Chamberlin to Detroit Monday, where she will visit her daughter Mrs. George Willis, and while there receive medical treatment. Mrs. Chamberlin has been an invalid for some time and unable to leave her home.

New assortment of masks at the S. B. Variety Store.

There will be a special meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 83 on Friday evening, January 15th. Pot Luck supper at 6:00 o'clock, and school of instruction at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Anna Brink, Grand Warden of the Grand Chapter of Michigan, will be present.

"Their Name Was Legion!" is the title of a short, snappy serial story that begins in this issue of the Avalanche. You will enjoy the story and you will know more about our world and the oil business after reading it, and you will get enough excitement out of the story to give you plenty of thrills. Begins on first page. Read it.

Harry E. Simpson has purchased the Rembrandt Auto Co. garage at Monroe and will take possession some time this week. Mr. Simpson was in Monroe last week when the deal was consummated. Of course Harry will have the agency for the Studebaker cars for he actually believes that this is the best car for the money sold anywhere in America, and while he had that agency in Grayling he sold a great many cars. We are sure that he will be very successful in his new field of operation.

Monday was John Dillon's 76th birthday and the Ambrose McClain family gave a dinner for the old gentleman inviting a few of his friends to join in the affair. There was a birthday cake and other good things. Mr. Dillon, who came to Grayling many years ago has made his home with the McClains for 35 years. He had been employed in the local lumber yards for many years but a few years ago he had to give up his labors owing to ill health. He was very much pleased over his birthday party.

The classes in Home Hygiene and care of the sick held their first meeting at the Health Center Tuesday. With Mrs. Squires, county nurse presiding. There were eight ladies present in the afternoon and eight in the evening. Officers were selected for each class and the first lesson on health was discussed. In the last issue of the Avalanche it was announced that the afternoon meeting would be held on Wednesday. From now on the meetings will both be held on Tuesday, in the afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 and in the evening from 7 to 9.

Dr. C. A. Canfield arrived in the city today to look after some business matters and drop in on old friends. Since leaving Grayling he has taken a post graduate course at the U. of M. and for the past six weeks was on the staff in department of dental surgery in one of Detroit's large hospitals. He says that the experience he got at these places was fine. He is opening dental parlors in Royal Oak, having offices in the Royal Oak Savings Bank building, which he hopes to have open for business by February 1st. We hope Dr. and Mrs. Canfield will like their new location, but we will be willing to bet that "Doc" will be as itchy as the boy who was wearing a coarse woolen shirt about May 1st, when he realizes that the trout are biting in the Ausable.

Grayling Independents have started out the basketball season with two victories. Last Saturday night they had an easy victory over St. Ignace, playing the visitors completely off their feet for a final score of 25 to 6. At the end of the first half the score stood 9 to 5 in Grayling's favor. A free throw was the only score allowed the visitors in the last half, while Grayling added 16. Last Tuesday night Bay City "Y" played the Independents and it looked like their game right up to the last 7 minutes. The first half ended with the "Y" on the long end of 9 to 5. They kept the lead pretty well to the end of the game, when in the last seven minutes Grayling overcame a lead of five and won with a four point margin. The final score was Grayling 19, Bay City "Y" 16.

Valentine greeting cards in envelope, 5c.

S. B. Variety Store.

Velvet Hats, just half price at the Gift Shop. Mrs. Cooley.

We have everything to keep your feet and hands warm at Olson's.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Milo Case Sunday afternoon, Jan. 10.

Don't miss the bazaar sale at Peterson's Grocery Saturday afternoon, 1 to 4 o'clock.

Men's plaid wool shirts, assorted colors, \$5.85 values for \$3.98 at Frank's.

Mrs. Sylvia Toeppen and baby of Detroit are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bivida.

Mrs. O. Milnes returned Friday from Wolverine, where she had been visiting her son Eno and family since before the holidays.

Word has been received here stating that Archie McNeven of Flint is very seriously sick. William, Peter and James McNeven of this city are sons of Mr. McNeven. James and Peter left Wednesday night for Flint.

Don't forget to get that costume ready for the Masquerade ball, that will be given in the near future by Grayling American Legion Post No. 106. (The date will be announced later. But get ready now.)

Road Commissioner Ralph Hanna, who had been confined to his home for about three weeks, with an attack of erysipelas in one of his feet, was able to be out again Saturday and is gradually getting better every day.

The regular quarterly meeting of the members of the congregation of the Danish-Lutheran church will be held next Sunday afternoon at Danebush hall, beginning at 2:00 o'clock. All those interested in the church work of the Danish church are requested to be present.

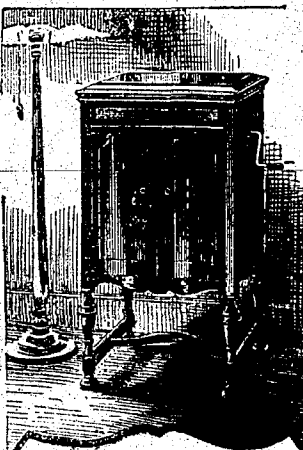
This is the Jean MacDonald's second appearance in Grayling, we are assured of a complete change of program, an unusually pleasing entertainment and a good attendance. This is the last number of the Lyceum course this winter. Remember the date, Tuesday evening, next.

The usual January term of Circuit court was adjourned to the next term. The illness of Judge Smith was the reason for the postponement. Fortunately there were no cases of importance to come up at this time. The jury that had been drawn were notified not to appear.

The County Court house is looking as slick as a whistle on the inside, except the court room. Last fall all the rooms and halls with the one exception were replastered by Adam Herdeline, and since that time Waldemar Jensen and his crew of decorators have been busy for several weeks redecorating the wall and re-varnishing the woodwork. It is a fine job and there is a great improvement in the appearance of the place. The court room will be the next to be painted, and Mr. Jensen says that they will start on the job soon. At present it is dirty, smoked and in a couple of places new plaster, which makes the room very unsightly. However this will soon be remedied.

Start your 1926 Christmas presents now. We can show you a fine line of Stamped Goods, at The Gift Shop. Mrs. B. A. Cooley.

There will be joint installation of officers of the Ladies National League and National League of Veterans and Sons at the Oddfellow temple, Thursday evening, January 21st. All members please take notice. 1-7-2



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FORD DEALER GIVING OLD TYME DANCE

MUSIC TO BE FURNISHED BY YE
OLD TYME DANCE ORCHESTRA.

Proceeds Going to "Buddy" Bill

George Burke, local Ford dealer, is imitating the fashion established by his chief by putting on an "Old Tyme Dance." This will be held in the School gymnasium, Friday night, January 15th.

This is Ford National Show week and through the country many Ford dealers are putting on dances, following a program that was outlined at the Henry Ford laboratories at Dearborn. Many of the dances will be given in either the show room or the garage, while others will use dance halls wherever obtainable.

In an interview with Mr. Burke he says that the program will consist entirely of old time dance music and he is going to prove that Jepp Bisbee and Millie Dunham haven't anything on some of our Crawford county fiddlers. He is keeping the name of the orchestra confidential until the night of the dance and says that the people that attend are going to have a real good old fashioned time. There will be square dances, Virginia reels, schottishes, waltzes and two-steps.

During the evening a radio will receive the special Ford dance program that will be broadcasted that night from Dearborn.

Come all ye good people and enjoy a night of good old fashioned dances. The proceeds of this affair are to go to "Buddy Bill."

Berlin's Bride Fails to Attend Vanderbilt Wedding

New York.—Mrs. Irving Berlin did not attend the wedding of Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt to Earl E. T. Smith, although when she returned to this city she had announced that she planned to attend.

While the couple were being married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, before an assembly that included Clarence R. Mackay, her father, the former Miss Eliza Mackay remained at home with her husband.

No explanation of why she failed to be among the guests was obtainable.

Throughout the day the composer and his bride, constantly in the spotlight since their sudden marriage at the Muntetpal building, stayed within Berlin's bachelor apartment atop 29 East Forty-sixth street.

Reports that Mr. Mackay had dis-inherited his daughter could not be verified. A published story that Berlin had settled \$1,000,000 upon his wife was denied by a business associate of the composer.

Furniture SALE!

Our Big Furniture Sale Starts

SATURDAY, JAN. 23rd

Watch for the Circulars. We will save you some real money during the week of this Sale.

The whole store will be one huge Bargain Counter, and almost everything we handle in the various lines of merchandise, will be thrown on the huge Bargain Counter:

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Mattresses
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Not Necessary to Twist Their Tails

For ages past men have indulged in more or less tail-twisting. To make their oxen pull, or their horses go in where they were afraid, expedient of tail-twisting was resorted to. It was so handy! To make their donkeys pull, climb, or go forward, tail-twisting.

To make merchants give more freely to churches and charitable causes, intimations were made of loss of

trade if the contribution were not forthcoming. The lender took advantage in proportion to the latter's need. With the poultry-keeper none of these cruel and unethical methods are necessary. Care and cleanliness seem to be about all that are necessary.

At this time of year, when eggs are scarce, high and desirable, would it

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and it will take NATURE just SIX MONTHS TO GROW A NEW NAIL to replace the injured one. 'TIS THE SAME USUALLY WITH BODILY ILLS; with proper care and less worry, and THE AID OF A SIMPLE HERBAL TONIC, NATURE will do HER part in renewing and rebuilding WORN-OUT, INACTIVE, ABUSED FUNCTIONS.

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not show good management on the part of the farmer to keep his hens that they would lay to the limit.

It has been done. He is a good manager who does it. Hens are a legitimate part of the machinery to produce a living on the farm.

To them, well managed, the farmer can sell his feed at a good profit, and keep it on the farm, to grow other crops with.

With his winter hens the farmer can earn a tidy income, without going away from home, as those who keep it on the farm, to grow other crops with.

It beats working out in the woods, in the cold all day.

It can be made to pay the grocery bill right along.

Seems as if every one of our farmers would plan ahead for a money-making winter hen business.

Few do so. It is easier to neglect it, then be pinched all winter for cash, and holler about the hard luck of the farmer.

How Most of Us Do It. Mongrel lot of hens, never culled. Owner wouldn't part to the free culling demonstrations. Hens too old. Many too fat. Ice water (if any). Hen house dark. Lousy. Seldom cleaned.

No oyster shell. No grit. No sand to dust in. Cold say, boy, I'm telling you. The feed, the least said about it the better. Probably one thing right along, over and over. No green stuff.

They All Agree. The writer has looked up the advice of many specialists on successful winter hen care. They all agree on something like this:

Hens can't lay well unless she is properly housed and fed. To get satisfactory lot of winter eggs it is necessary that the flock be fed dry mash which is kept before them ALL THE TIME, in open hoppers. Make the mash this way: Equal parts by WEIGHT of bran, wheat middlings, cornmeal, ground oats, meat scrap, plus one (1) per cent by weight of salt; and two (2) per cent dried mangle or ground limestone.

Besides the above mash the hens should be fed a scratch feed, in the deep litter of clean straw, of equal parts by WEIGHT of whole wheat and cracked corn. Scatter as much of this in the clean litter as hens will clean up in 30 minutes. Scatter it twice a day.

Green feed is very important. Use sprouted oats or hang up a cabbage, mangels, sugar beets, for hens to pick at.

A quart or two of dry alfalfa leaves per day is a great help. Keep green feed, oyster shell, grit and thickened skim milk before them all the time.

Keep house and hens free from lice and mites. Clean out droppings and change litter frequently.

Can We Sell 'Em After We Get 'Em? Probably not as much as a quarter of the eggs used in Grayling are produced in the county.

FREDERIC NEWS

(Too late for last week)

Mr. and Mrs. E. Preston of Lansing were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craven for the holidays, and attended the reunion at James Patterson's. There were 19 present.

J. J. Higgins who has been seriously afflicted with erysipelas of the feet since last July and constantly under the doctor's care, is but slightly better. And at present Mrs. Higgins is suffering with abscessed bunions, the pain from which is very severe.

Mrs. Frank Monroe and daughter Ethel and two smaller children spent the holidays at Mecosta and Eaton Rapids.

Mrs. James Tobin is visiting in Bay City. She accompanied Max at far on his way to school.

Alfred Armstrong, Clarence Percy and Emmett, all of whom are working in Saginaw at the Malleable Iron works, were home for a vacation during the holidays.

Our obliging Postmaster is kept busy these days looking after both the office and store.

Mrs. George Hunter is home again from camp where they have a man chef to look after the dining hall.

Miss Eyra Walters is spending her vacation in Bay City with relatives. The friends of Miss Helen Smith will be pained to learn that there is very little improvement in her condition at this time.

Max Tobin returned to Mt. Pleasant after spending the holidays at home.

Mrs. Henry Leeman spent a few days last week at our neighboring town.

Charm of Brick House

Europe has been a land of brick houses for hundreds of years and America is rapidly emerging from the "Woolen Age." Many a traveler has returned from abroad with tales of the picturesque homes of England quite unaware that the underlying cause of their charm lies in the material—solid, dignified brick—the appeal of which has only been enhanced by years of sunshine and storm.

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By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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stirred a sleeping resentment. "I'm only telling you what I picked up."

"All right, then. It's wrong."

"Very well. Anyway, it won't take long to find out. The polls will be closing in ten minutes. They ought to know pretty shortly after that who the mayor'll be."

"Who'd you vote for?"

"Jordan."

"Oh, you did? Why?"

"The exasperation returned."

"In the first place, because I wanted to."

"In the second place, because I don't like 'Bull' Franniston. Anyway, that isn't what I came here to talk about. This check, Mr. Barrows, is for you."

"For what?"

"For what?" Bart Rogers stared.

"Why, for part payment on that mortgage."

The narrow eyes blinked quickly. Leon Barrows came forward in his big chair.

"You're talking riddles. What mortgage?"

"On the farm. Didn't Dad give you a mortgage when he borrowed that money?"

"He signed notes."

"So did I. But I always thought they were secured by a mortgage."

"Did he ever say so?"

"Of course not. In the week or so after I got home there was so much to talk about that we only went into things generally. He simply told me that he'd gotten some money from you to tide him over and that if I needed any more I could get it at the same place. Then that second stroke hit him, and, as you know, he lost his vocal control. But I always supposed—"

"You've always supposed wrong. There's no mortgage."

"I'm glad of that. But there are the notes. I want to take some of them up."

A thin smile pulled slightly at the corners of the attorney's lips.

"Maybe they're paid already."

"But they're not."

"Young man," and the attorney's lean finger went nearer than ever to the desk, "the best way to handle a debt is to wait until you're called upon to pay it. You haven't been dunned yet, have you?"

"Of course not."

"Then forget it. The debt's paid."

"Paid? Why?" Frank's amazement was in the young man's eyes.

"At least," there was quick hedging in the attorney's voice, "as far as I know it's paid. It isn't my money. I've simply been the disbursing agent."

"Not your money? Then who's been putting up?"

"A friend of your father's."

"But who?"

"Ask him. An attorney doesn't tell the business of his clients."

"But you know I can't get any answer from him. He can't speak and he can't write. How?"

"Don't try to cross-examine me. I won't tell. An old friend of the family helped the two of you out. Your father was very grateful. They made a little pact between them which, to me, as an attorney, appears to be very foolish for—for my client, the man who is putting up the money. But he seems to think it's all right. My part of it is simply the legal end which must be looked after by an attorney. It is up to me to protect my client against his own foolishness. Therefore I ordered the notes signed by me, and then transferred them to the man to whom they really belong, so that if he does not care to collect them, well and good. If he doesn't and if he wants to accept this other proposition in the eyes of the law when the right and proper time comes, very well. My interest is ended. That is all."

"But who is this man, and what is the proposition?"

"Ask your father."

"I've already told you that I can't do that."

"I've already told you all that I can as an attorney. So there's an end to it. How's that old proposition getting along out your way? Been over there lately?"

"Day before yesterday."

"Struck anything that looks like pay sand?"

"I don't know. The drillers seemed pretty interested in what was coming up, but you never can tell."

"Ought to be doing something pretty soon. They've been fooling around with that thing for more than six months now."

"Longer than that. I was still in the hospital at Aurora when they started—my father wrote me about it. That was just before he had his first stroke, and that's been more than a year ago. Then they moved me down to Arizona and I was there four months before they discharged me."

"Guess that's right." The attorney looked at him appraisingly. "You're all right now?"

"Oh, yes. Fact is, I was all right when I got home from France. But I couldn't argue the doctors into it."

"That's the trouble with you fellows," Leon Barrows said it thinly, sarcastically. "I never saw a man yet who'd ever been in the army who didn't have something to kick about. Can't understand it. If you've got so many kicks, why do you wear that button?"

"That button?" Bart Rogers looked down at his lapel, toward the star of the American Legion which showed there. Then, for the first time during the interview, he grinned. "I guess you don't know soldiers, Mr. Barrows. A man hasn't been in the army unless he's learned to kick against everything in the world. That's what makes him a fighter, because he carries a chip on his shoulder. But just because he kicks that doesn't make him any the less patriotic."

"Guess that's right. But I don't like kicking. I like a man to take his medicine and not make faces about it."

He halted suddenly as the telephone jangled and swung about in his chair to answer it. "Hello," he called, then leaned suddenly toward the transmitter. "Beg pardon. Very sorry, but I can't see you now. What's that?"

"A slight pause. Then: 'About five minutes I'd say.'"

Bart Rogers rose.

"A client?" he asked.

"Yes," Leon Barrows turned back to his desk in a fretful, agitated mood.



"A Client?" He Asked.

"Yes, a client. Coming up here in five minutes. You'll have to get out. Let that money thing go. Forget it. Don't come back here trying to give me any more money unless I send for you. Understand? All right. Get out."

"Certainly," Rogers already was at the door. "Only I think that it would be fair to me to tell me what this deal is and let me know the identity of my benefactor."

"You'll know that when legal ethics permit me to tell. Now get out!"

The door opened and closed. A long moment passed, while the lean-faced attorney listened to the steps of the young man as they faded down the hall. Then hurriedly almost feverishly, he turned toward the telephone and called a number, drumming excitedly upon his desk as he waited the answer. At last it came, and the attorney leaned close to the phone.

"Hello," he called in a low voice. "Couldn't talk a minute ago. That party was in here. You know the one I mean. Now, go ahead."

Something streamed over the phone which caused the narrow eyes of the thin-faced attorney to blink rapidly, and which slowly brought a steadily deepening flush of color to his high cheeks. His free hand seemed to twist and writhe. Then his eyes set, and the color faded, giving his features a ghastly, pasty expression.

The thin lips seemed to lose themselves in the white of his face.

"All right," came at last. "I understand. You've got a little more of an hour. That's plenty of time. Go ahead with that proposition we've talked over and work fast! Understand me? Work fast!"

A second more he remained at the telephone, to receive his answer from the other end. Then the receiver clicked into place, and the tall man leaped from his desk that he might hurry to the window and stare into the street below.

In front of the main election booth was a knot of men, one of them Bart Rogers. And upon that figure the eyes of Leon Barrows centered, eyes which suddenly had assumed a snakelike glitter, eyes which had become deep-set and vicious, eyes which spelled for the moment the true story of the brain behind them. And as those eyes watched the young man below, the lean hands writhed and twisted, twisted and writhed, one into the other; the thin lips drew back from heavy teeth, and the unwholesome face seemed suddenly to contort in an agony of hate, of fear—and of victory.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of a certain mortgage executed by Joseph F. Beach and May Beach to Frank Smith, which mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Crawford County, Michigan on October 18th, 1924 in Liber 1 of mortgages on page 379, which mortgage was dated October 11, 1924. On which mortgage there is now due for principal, interest and taxes the sum of three hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighty-five cents (\$338.85) and attorney's fee as stipulated in said mortgage and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt now claimed to be due on said mortgage or any part thereof. Therefore the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the premises hereinafter described by virtue of the power of the sale contained in said mortgage, which sale will be made at public auction at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan (that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held) on the thirteenth day of February, 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, which premises described in said mortgage is as follows:

The west half of southwest quarter (W½ of SW¼) of section eight (8), town twenty-five (25), north, range three west (3W).

Dated November 18, 1925.

Merle F. Nollist, Mortgagee.

Attorney for Mortgagee, Grayling, Michigan. 11-19-13

Gorilla Near Extinction

Among the rare animals which are in danger of extinction is the gorilla, though between 100 and 200 still remain in the Belgian big game sanctuary in the Congo.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made on the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a re-conveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the register in chancery of the county in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per centum additional thereon, and the fees of the sheriff for the service of this notice of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford.

West half of the northeast quarter, section 13, town 28 north, range 1 west. Amount paid \$42.47. Taxes for the years 1919, 1920, 1921.

Place of business Richmond, Mich. DAVID CARL.

To Albert Jean, George A. Hodge, 1st grantees in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

Return of Personal Service

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Montmorency, SS

I do hereby certify and return, that on the 15th day of September, A. D. 1925, I served a notice of which the within is a true copy upon Albert Jean and to whom said notice is addressed.

I personally delivering such notice to said above named person, in said County of Montmorency, the said person being a resident of said county.

Albert J. Turner, Sheriff of the County of Montmorency. My fees \$2.70.

Return of Failure of Service, Personal and Mail

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford, SS

I do hereby certify and return, that the within notice was delivered to me for service on the 28th day of December, 1925, at the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, to be one of the last grantees in the regular chain of title to the within described lands at the said date of the said delivery of such notice to me for service, the heir of said grantee, or whereabouts, or the postoffice address of the executor, administrator, trustee of such grantee upon the foregoing described land.

J. E. Bohemeyer, Sheriff of said County. Dated Jan. 8th, 1926.

My fees, 50 cents.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford, SS

Returned and filed with me, this 8th day of January, A. D. 1926.

Frank Sales, County Clerk. Certificate of County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford, SS

I, Frank Sales, County Clerk of said County, do hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of the said notice, under tax sale and of proof of service thereof, filed in my office and now remaining therein. That I have compared the same with the original and that it is a true transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at the Village of Grayling in said County this 8th day of January, A. D. 1926.

1-14-4 Frank Sales, County Clerk.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a re-conveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the register in chancery of the county in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per centum additional thereon, and the fees of the sheriff for the service of this notice of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost of charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford.

South half of the southeast quarter, section 28, town 25 north, range three west. Amount paid \$17.26. Tax for year 1921.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$39.52 plus the fees of the sheriff.

Place of business Roscommon, Mich. To Almira A. Bliss, of Adrian, Michigan, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said county. 1-7-4

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